IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following new paragraph before the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 4:

This application is a continuation of currently pending U.S. Application No. 09/490,283 filed on January 24, 2000, the contents of which are herein incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 22, line 1 as follows:

A user sends in advance to distribution network 10 content identifier related information corresponding to content which that user requires. Each content filter 1 registers this content identifier related information in its table 4. Each type of content (e.g., weather forecast, latest technical news, or cooking recipe information) has a unique identifier, just as for example a television program has a unique Video Plus code.